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Continuation of 3. Note: Newly Amended claim 1 raise(s) new issues requiring a novel search and further consideration because it now recites "a chromium layer which is not oxidized remains between said chromium oxide passivation film and remains to the metallic material so that said chromium-oxide passivation film is coupled to said metallic material".

Continuation of 11. because: Applicant's arguments are drawn to a proposed claim amendment which is not being entered; thus, the arguments are not commensurate in scope with the claims.

Conclusion

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